

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EDMOND GRANT *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

-v-

DONALD J. TRUMP *et al.*,

Defendants.

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ORDER

20-CV-7103 (JGK) (HJR)

HENRY J. RICARDO, United States Magistrate Judge.

A settlement conference is scheduled before Magistrate Judge Henry J. Ricardo on **November 20 at 10:00 a.m.** The conference will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams and will not be open to the public. The Court will provide access links to counsel several days before the conference.

The parties are directed to review and comply with the Procedures for All Cases Referred for Settlement to Magistrate Judge Henry J. Ricardo (the “Procedures”), available at <https://nysd.uscourts.gov/hon-henry-j-ricardo>. **No later than five (5) business days before the conference**, the parties shall submit the attached Acknowledgement Form to RicardoNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov, copying all counsel or pro se litigants if they are unrepresented.

No later than five (5) business days before the conference, counsel for each party must send the party’s Ex Parte Settlement Letter, marked “Confidential Material for Use Only at Settlement Conference” to RicardoNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov. This letter should not be sent to the

other parties. The letter should include, at a minimum, the information described in paragraph 3 of the Procedures. The parties should exchange their initial settlement demands and responses in advance of their Ex Parte Settlement Letter submissions.

The parties—not just the attorneys—must attend the settlement conference. Corporate parties, labor unions, and insurance companies (or any other party that is not a natural person) must send to the conference the person ultimately responsible for giving settlement authority. The parties have represented that party representatives with full settlement authority to participate.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 11, 2024
New York, New York


Henry J. Ricardo
United States Magistrate Judge

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

Complete this form, sign and date it, and send it by email as a PDF attachment to (1) Judge Ricardo at RicardoNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov and (2) to all other attorneys who will be attending the conference **no later than five business days prior to the conference**. Please read the certifications below carefully as your signature indicates your compliance with them.

Name of Case: _____

Docket Number: _____ CV _____ (_____) (HJR)

I acknowledge that my client and I must attend a settlement conference via Microsoft Teams on November 20, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

1. I am attorney for _____ [Plaintiff / Defendant].

(For corporate or other non-individual clients): The name of the representative of my client who will attend the conference is:_____. The title of this representative is:_____.

If applicable (for insurance carrier): The name of the representative of the insurance carrier who will attend the conference is:
_____.

2. I certify that the person attending the conference (by Teams) is the person with ultimate responsibility for determining the settlement amount: that is, the person responsible for giving settlement authority, not someone who has received authority from another person. In addition, if there is an insurance carrier with authority over settlement, a representative from such carrier with complete responsibility over settlement will be present in person or by telephone.
3. I certify that I have read both the Court's Order scheduling this conference as well as the "Procedures for All Cases Referred for Settlement to Magistrate Judge Henry J. Ricardo."

Dated: _____

[Signature of Attorney]